

**House of Representatives  
Education  
Committee Meeting Schedule - Interim 2003**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>TYPE</b>
July 1, 2003	TBA	Spokane	Full Committee	1. District efforts to implement the Certificate of Academic Achievement graduation requirement. 2. Parent involvement.	Work Session
September Committee Assembly	TBA	Olympia	Full Committee	1. Review of the revised Essential Academic Learning Requirements 2. The approved state plan for the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001."	Work Session
October 28, 2003	All Day	Seattle	Full Committee	Lessons from North Carolina on education reform (conversation with former Governor Hunt).	Work Session
December (Early)	All Day	Olympia	Full Committee	Meet with Committee members and stakeholders to: 1. Refine a governance proposal for the public schools. 2. Refine legislation that will address the certificate of mastery graduation requirements, accountability for social studies, the arts, and health and fitness education, and refinements to the state's system of essential academic learning requirements and assessments (HB 2195). 3. Consider legislation to revise the state's learning assistance program. 4. Review and consider other legislation included in a proposed package of education bills.	Work Session
December 4-5	TBA	Olympia	Education	1. The appropriate application of the certificate of mastery graduation requirements for students with special needs and those with limited English proficiency. 2. Issues affecting the education of Native American students.	Work Session

**Project Title: Governance**

Priority: 1

Completion Date: December 31, 2003

Committee / Staff: Susan Morrissey

Reference: HCR 4404

Other Resources: May include travel from Denver for ESC staff (Todd Ziebarth)

Project Description: The committee will review the duties and organizational structures of agencies responsible for state and regional level governance for K-12 education. The committee will consider different governance models to improve the coordination and effectiveness of state and regional services provided to school districts. The study will include a review of the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Academic Achievement and Accountability Commission, the State Board of Education, the Professional Educator Standards Board, the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board, and educational service districts.

**Project Title: High School Restructuring and Graduation Requirements**

Priority: 2

Completion Date: December 15, 2003

Committee / Staff: Susan Morrissey &amp; Sydney Forrester

Reference: HB 2124 &amp; 2195

Other Resources: N/A

Project Description: The committee will work with principals and superintendents to determine the types of efforts and programs school districts are putting in place to ensure that middle and high school students will meet the state's academic standards and, when it is operative, achieve a certificate of mastery/academic achievement.

**Project Title: Exploring the Education Reform Lessons from Other States**

Priority: 3

Completion Date: November 30, 2003

Committee / Staff: Morrissey/Forrester

Reference: HB 2195, HB 1989

Other Resources:

Project Description: A review the lessons learned from North Carolina, Texas, Massachusetts, and other states that are considered the leaders in education reform. The committee will meet with former Governor Hunt to discuss the nationally renowned comprehensive education reform package he implemented in North Carolina. The package included coordination of the entire spectrum of education, from early childhood through college. It also included partnerships with the business community, student and school accountability, enhanced funding, state standards, and assessments.

**Project Title: Balancing the Education System's Approach to the Four Learning Goals**

Priority: 4

Completion Date: November 14, 2003

Committee / Staff: Susan Morrissey

Reference: HB 2195 &amp; HB 2009

Other Resources: N/A

Project Description: The committee will review the efforts of school districts to meet the state's learning goals for the gateway skills of reading, writing, mathematics, and science and meet its learning goals for social studies, the arts, and health and fitness. In addition, the committee will look at the efforts of school districts to meet the fourth learning goal, which is helping students understand how to use these academic skills in the world of work once the students leave high school.

**Project Title: Parent Involvement in Education**

Priority: 5

Completion Date: December 5, 2003

Committee / Staff: Susan Morrissey &amp; Sydney Forrester

Reference: HB 2156, federal NCLB Act of  
2001

Other Resources: N/A

Project Description: The committee will review the research on the most effective ways to involve parents and the community in schools and education programs. The review will include a component on parent-partnership and other alternative programs that emphasize the parental role in education. The committee will also work with superintendents and principals to discover some of the more effective parental involvement approaches used in Washington's schools.